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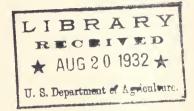
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# IRISES and PEONIES

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# Conditions of Sale

PLANTS. True to name, free from disease and insect pests. No substitutions unless requested. Orders accepted contingent upon condition and availability of stocks at shipping time.

**SIZES.** Irises, well grown single rhizomes. Peonies, strong two-year clumps.

TIME OF SHIPPING. Irises: Bearded, begin July 25. Beardless, September 1. Peonies, begin September 10. Can ship all till November.

TRANSPORTATION. All orders prepaid. Note additions for distant shipments under Bargain List.

**TERMS.** Cash with order. Include 25c for postage and packing of orders under \$2.00. Discounts: 5% on \$10.00 order, 10% on \$25.00, 15% on \$50.00. Prompt cash refund for anything we cannot supply.

REFERENCES. First National Bank of Ithaca and our past record.

# Foreword

CATALOGUE. In keeping with current hard times we are reducing catalogue costs and are passing the saving along to our patrons in lowered prices.

COLLECTIONS. None are offered as the catalogue prices are about as low as the usual collection prices.

ROYAL IRIS GARDENS. Our son, J. C. Nicholls, Jr., has opened an Iris business of his own under the name: Royal Iris Gardens, Camillus, N. Y. His reliability and correct ethics may be counted upon. His Cornell training and years of experience in growing and shipping fine plants warrant our confident hope for his success.

## **SEEDLINGS**

**FEONIES.** Some doubles and Japanese of high quality are under propagation and will be offered soon.

IRISES. Careful study, hard work and luck are giving us some nice Iris seedlings; the further we go and the more careful we are in keeping records and in studying heredities, the plainer it becomes that pure chance is a very nice adjunct. Till the whole field shall have been explored this ought to cause no surprise; all Mendelism is based on the law of the probability of chance, the one unchangeable law of the Universe, and all anyone can do is to allow chance to operate in his favor, following up leads that come among the seedlings. Our introductions have been made conservatively and are probably worthy.

## CHANGE IN POLICY

To permit concentration on the breeding of Bearded Iris, we expect to dispose of practically everything in our gardens except the Iris and Peony seedlings, a limited list of the very best Bearded Irises and the Louisiana beardless Irises. Before the year is out all low-priced Irises, named Peonies and the various Iris species are to be removed. This offers an opportunity to obtain many things at bargain prices.

## **INTRODUCTIONS FOR 1932**

**AUREX** (Nich. 1932) 36" Ambassadeur X Fire God. S clear, carrying yellow of medium tone, nicely domed. F blackish purple per Ridgeway, red in effect; Narrow buff edge. Very velvety. Beard yellow. Of Ambassadeur size but has wider falls and is much better branched. Grape fragrance.

\$10.00

AUTAUGA. (Coll. A. H. Nicholls, Ala. 1930) 30" Native beardless. S light phlox purple. F phlox purple, horizontal. A bright and carrying rose-pink of great merit. Perfectly hardy and blooms freely. Variation of shrevei. Quite outstanding. \$5.00

RED ELF (Nich. 1932) 24" Small garnet red self of brilliant effect. Blooms with the later T. B. whereas Spark comes with the Intermediates. They are favorites with visitors. Fragrant. \$3.00

SEA DAWN (Nich. 1932) 37" Midgard derivative. Medium to large ruffled blend, soft old-rose. Orange beard. Popular with visitors. \$5.00 SOLITAIRE (Nich. 1932) 37" Gleam Derivative. Medium size. Warm white of excellent substance. Yellow beard. Nicely branched. \$5.00

VALOR (Nich. 1932) 50" Very large blooms of perfect shape and substance borne on tall stalks as gracefully branched as any we have seen. S deep anthracine violet, domed and firm. F dark fluorite violet shading to raisin purple at the edge. Velvety. Yellow beard. A stately and glowing royal purple with every good quality including a delightful fragrance. Perhaps the most beautiful Iris in our collection. \$15.00

#### PRIOR INTRODUCTIONS

BOADICEA (Nich. 1931) 38" Midgard derivative. S and F soft apricot blend with crimson lights in S and pale blue flush at center of F. Ruffled, medium. \$5.00

CRYSORO (Nich. 1931) 24" Intermediate. Very large ruffled blooms of good shape and substance. Deepest glowing yellow throughout. Long period of bloom. Of exceptional merit. \$7.50

FIRE GOD (Nich. 1929) 40" S reddish bronze, hint of lavender. F deep brown garnet. \$1.00

GLEAM (Nich. 1929) 45" Clear, pale lavender-blue self with orange beard; a very refined bloom of good substance and shape on nicely branched stem. Thought by many to be the best of its color. \$1.00

MAYGOLD (Nich. 1931) 26" Intermediate. Large smooth blooms of excellent substance. Clear canary yellow self of high quality.

NURMAHAL (Nich. 1931) 36" S deep brown with hint of violet, very large, circular, domed. F deep black-brown with red undertone, circular; firm, velvety and flaring. Yellow beard. Quite outstanding. Very fragrant.

\$15.00

RED ROBE (Nich. 1931) 36" S deep petunia violet, domed. F intense deep red violet, uniformly colored to the edge. Yellow beard. Perfectly branched and very floriferous. A large and brilliant Iris of the highest quality. \$25.00 SHOGUN (Nich. 1931) 38" Dark red bronze, medium size. Distinct. \$3.00 SPARK (Nich. 1931) 24" Dark red garnet blooming with the early tall bearded. Attracts all visitors. Medium size. \$3.00 TOKAY (Nich. 1931) 36" From Midgard. Yellow pink blend of soft color-

ing. Popular. WHITE AND GOLD (Nich. 1928) 36" Chaste white of good substance and

medium size. Gold beard. \$1.00

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### Best of the tall bearded.

Alcina, buff-lavender\$10	.00 Aure	x, variegata	10.00
Allies, red	.75 Avata	ar, violet	.50
Allure, pink 3	.00 Beau	Sabreur, var.	3.00
Amerind, brown	.75 Black	amoor, dark	25.00
Apache, red	.35 Blue	Banner, blue	3.00
Aphrodite, pink	.35 Blue	Bonnet, blue	4.00
Asia, pale blend	.35 Blue	Hill, blue self	5.00
Aubade, apricot25	.00 Blue	Velvet, blue	12.50

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Boadicea, blend	5.00	King Tut, brown	2.00
Bruno, brownish	1.00	Klamath, Violet	12.50
Buto, dark	1.00	Labor, red-violet	1.00
Candlelight, blend	.60	Le Correge, red-violet	1.00
Cardinal, reddish	1.00	Lindbergh, neglecta	2.50
Charis, bronze	3.00	Lona, var.	.50
Chartier, white	.50	Lord Lamborn, reddish	.35
Chasseur, yellow	.50	Los Angeles, white	3.00
Cinnabar, red-purple	1.25	Mme. C. Bouscant, pink	.75
Citronella, yellow		Mme. Durrand, brown	.60
Clara Noyes, blend		Marquisette, pink	3.00
Classic, blend		Mary Barnett, lav.	.50
Conchobar, dark	.50	Mary Elizabeth, rose	15.00
C. Surprise, heliotrope	3.50	Mary Geddes, Salmon	
Coppersmith, reddish	.60	Melchior, red pur.	10.00
Coronation, yellow	1.50	Meldoric, dark	25.00
Dauntless, red	10.00	Mesopotamica, lav	.50
Depute Nomblot, reddish	40.00	Mich. Charraire, white	.75
Desert Gold, yellow	8.00	Midgard, pink blend	.75
Dr. Chobaut, blue	15.00	Mild Presby, amoena	.35
Dolly Madison, mauve	1.50	Moa, dark	.75
Dominion, blue	1.00	Montour, cinnamon	.75
Don Juan, red	10.00	Moonlight, white	.75
Dorothy Dietz, negl	3.50	Mt. Royal, purple	1.00
Duke of Bedford, purple	.50	Mrs. Perry, white	.35
Eliz. Egelberg, pink	3.50	Mrs. Emmett, white	.60
Elsinore, yellow blend	1.50	Mrs. V. West, brown vi	10.00
Euphemia, dark violet	1.50	Nebraska, yellow	.75
Euphony, blend	2.00	Nepenthe, blend	15.00
Fire God, red-brown	1.00	Numa Roumestan, red	12.00
Fra Angelico, blend	.60	Nurmahal, brown	15.00
Frieda Mohr, pink	1.00	Nusku, old rose	5.00
Gay Hussar, var.	1.50	Odaroloc, Mauve	.35
Ger. Perthuis, purple	.50	Ophelia, blend	1.25
Gleam, blue	1.00	Ore. Beauty, red violet	18.00
Gloriae, blue	.75	Ore. Giant, dark	12.00
Golden Glory, yellow	1.00	Peau Rouge, red	.35
Goldilocks, yellow	25.00	Peerless, red purple	1.00
Grace Sturtevant, brown	7.50	Pink Satin, pink	30.00
Grand Monarch, red-pur	7.50	Pioneer, red purple	.35
Helios, yellow	20.00	Pluie d'Or, yellow	6.50
Hypnos, blend	2.50	Prairie Gold, yellow	.35
Indian Chief, Red	7.50	Princess Beatrice, lavender	.35
Jane Williamson, blend	.75	Purissima, white	2.50
Jubilee, Variegata	.35	Purple Haze, purple	.60
Kashmiriana, white		Rameses, blend	8.00
King Juba, Var.		Realm, blue	1.00
King Karl Var	75	Red Elf dark red	3.00

Red Robe, red violet	25.00	Sophronia, white	.50
Rene Cayeux, amoena	.60	Souv. Michaud, lavender	.75
Rhea, blend	.50	Spark, dark red	3.00
Rialgar, yellow	.35	Swazi, purple	2.00
R. W. Wallace, dark	.50	Theseus, white	.35
Rose Dominion, rose	12.50	Tokay, blend	5.00
San Francisco, plicata	3.00	Trostringer, pink	.75
San Luis Rey, red violet	2.00	Tuscany Gold, blend	3.00
Sta. Barbara, lavender	.60	Valencia, orange	.50
Sea Dawn, old gold	5.00	Valor, blue violet	15.00
Selene, white	17.50	Van Cleve, dark	.75
Sensation, blue	3.00	Vesper Gold, yellow	.50
Sequoiah, buff red	.60	Waconda, red	8.00
Shasta, white	1.50	Wambliska, white	20.00
Shogun, bronze	3.00	White and Gold, white	1.00
Sir Michael, blue purple	5.00	Winneshiek, blue, dark	5.00
Snow White, white	.50	Yves Lassailly, plicata	15.00
Solitaire, white	5.00	Zulu, blue	1.50
Sonata, blend	.60	-	
DEST	INTER	DATE LATES	
BEST		RMEDIATES	
Ambera, yellow\$	5.00	Istria, white	.50
Autumn King, purple	.50	Kurdistan, purple	.35
Autumn Queen, white	.75	Louis Bel, dark	.75
Blue Zua, blue	1.50	Maygold, yellow	3.00
Challenger, dark	2.00	Nymph, yellow	.75
Crysoro, yellow	7.50	Otoe, dark	.75
Cyrus, yellow	5.00	Ragusa, dark	3.00
Doxa, blend	2.00	Rose Mist, rose	1.00
Golden Harvest, yellow	5.00		
D	WARF	IRISES	
Azurea, sky-blue\$	.35	Mireille, red-violet	.50
Coerulea, sky-blue	.35	Negus, blue-purple	.50
Dr. Mann, red-violet	.35	Niobe, dark violet	.50
Dr. Potter, purple	.25	Orange Queen, yellow	.35
Glee, yellow	.75	Petite Amie, white	1.00
Graminea, garnet	.25	P. Atroviolacea, purple	.25
Harbor Lights, yellow	1.00	Reflection, sky-blue	.50
Huron Imp., dark blue	.50	Reichenbachi, orange-yellow	.35
Jean Siret, yellow	2.00	Snowcup, white	.25
Laddie Boy, blue purple	2.00	Titania, yellow	1.00
Marocain, blue black	.25	Tony, red violet	1.00
Max, yellow	.50	Yellow Bird, yellow	.25

# BARGAIN LIST—BEARDED IRISES

No deviations from stated conditions and no discounts apply. Prepaid East of Mississippi; for West of Mississippi and for Canada, add 2c per plant up to 12 and 1c for each additional.

## PRICES:

- A. One kind only, your selection, labelled; 1 for 25c, 3 for 50c, 10 for \$1.00, 30 for \$2.00.
- B. Assorted kinds, your selection, labelled; 1 for 25c, 3 for 60c, 6 for \$1.00, 20 for \$2.00.
- C. Our selection, labelled; one kind, several kinds or all different as desired; 1 for 25c, 3 for 50c, 10 for \$1.00, 30 for \$2.00.
- D. Our selection, not labelled, assorted kinds; 1 for 25c, 4 for 50c, 15 for \$1.00, 30 for \$1.50.

VARIETIES: Afterglow, Aksarben, Alabaster, Alcazar, Ambassadeur, Amber, Argentina, Ballerine, B. Y. Morrison, Caterina, Chalice, Crusader, Esplendido, Fairy, G. J. Tribolet, Geo. Yeld, Gold Imperial, Harmony, Harriet Presby, Imperator, Kashmir White, Leonato, Leverrier, Mme. H. Cayeux, Mlle. Schwartz, Mary Gibson, Medrano, Miss Willmot, Morning Splendor, Ochracea, Opera, Primrose, Pallida Dalmatica, Queen Caterina, Regan, Rubyd, Salonique, Shekinah, Souv. Gaudichau, Susan Bliss, Tenebrae, Wedgwood, Yellow Moon, Zada. INTERMEDIATES: Albicans, Charmian, Cymbelline, Ingeborg, Lulworth, Lurida. DWARFS: Graminea, Pumila Atroviolacea.

### JAPANESE IRISES

The list is carefully selected. They are beautiful and easy to grow. S, single, D, double and T, treble.

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Aspasie, S. blue\$ .50	Mahogany, T. black violet50
Astarte, D. violet	Pink Progress, S. pink
Cherry Blossom, D. white,	Pluton, D. Striped white50
flushed violet 1.00	Pyramid, T. deep purple
Dominator, S. blue purple50	Shadow, S. red purple
Eumee, S. blue purple	Shishi-ikari, D. red violet 1.00
Gekko-no-nami, S. white	Uchiu, D. white Cerulean
Gold Bound, D. white	border 1.00
Isabelle, S. lilac	Warei-Hotei, D. blue 1.00
Koki-no-iro, D. violet purple50	

### THREE for PRICE of TWO

## **SPURIAS**

Aurea, yellow\$	.50	Ochroleuca, cream and yellow	.50
Monaurea, deep yellow	.50	Shelford Giant, taller and	
Monnieri, golden	.75	larger Ochroleuca	1.00
Monspur, blue purple	.50		

## POGO-CYCLUS

Lady Lilford,	purple	\$ .50	Wm. Mohr, red violet	2.50
Parvar, black	purple	 .50	Sir T. Lawrence, violet	1.00

## NATIVE AMERICAN BEARDLESS IRISES

Three years of collecting, growing and studying the Native Southern Irises shows them to be hardy here and certainly removes any question as to their beauty and value as garden subjects. They grow best if about three inches of peat moss or leaf mold be worked into the soil and better bloom

will result from mulching lightly; three inches of peat moss immediately around the shoots has proven best and it should not be removed too early in spring. They like food and should not be allowed to exhaust the fertility of the ground. For all Irises and Peonies we find 1000 pounds of 5-10-5 per acre in late summer and 300 pounds of Sodium Nitrate per acre in spring answer the purpose well. Work into the soil. An acre contains 43,560 sq. ft. or 4,840 sq. yds. The Irises spread, plant three feet apart.

In discovering and classifying these Irises, Dr. Small and Mr. Alexander have made one of the greatest contributions to Floriculture in a century and their work is far from done.

Over the ages Nature has done all the indiscriminate hybridizing that is advisable and has given us a wide diversification of color, size, height and form. Nevertheless, study reveals some enticing lines of breeding to be undertaken. Before offering any seedlings the hybridizer will have to be familiar with the existing forms or he will be quite apt to introduce types that are no better than or even quite inferior to existing wild ones already in captivity.

Our greatest reason for withholding distribution of these Irises until now is to have their identifications so absolutely accurate as to provide plants for the use of other Commercial Growers in checking the trueness of such as they may have. Unless something of this kind be done the situation is practically certain to become so confused that it will take years to approximately straighten it out. The confusion is already making headway, considerable.

Prices are based on quality and on available stocks. It has been our intention to use lower prices but it is a case of either these or further delay in offering at all. Of many of the very best we have only four or five rhizomes, and a number of those are not procurable from any other source; it should be quite apparent that advantage is not being taken of that monopoly.

The numbers are garden serials.

	Autaug	a. Rose pink shrevei\$	5.00
	Cacique	e. Red purple hybrid	2.50
34	Chrysae	eola. Bright violet. F flecked	3.00
36-A	Chrysa	eola. Pale form	3.00
21		phoenicia. Plum violet	4.00
44		stata. Pale mauve	4.00
		Villiamson. Purple hybrid	.35
43	Elephar	ntina. Ivory white, yellow crest	5.00
16		ana. Red violet	4.00
17	Fourchi	ana. Larger and bluer	4.00
14	Fulva.	Terra cotta	.35
18	Fulva.	Tall and large. Best	3.00
23	Fulva.	Orange. Large. Not tall	2.00
28	Fulva.	Good one	1.00
41	Fulva.	Very red. Not tall	1.00
60	Fulva.	Large deep vermilion. Tall	3.00
110	Fulva.	Orange. Pink	2.00
127	Fulva.	Deep red, blackish splotches	3.00

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	Fulva. Other variations	.75
	Fulvala. Red purple hybrid	.35
4	Giganticoerulea. Deep porcelain blue	4.00
6	Giganticoerulea. Dark blue. F horizontal	4.00
8	Giganticoerulea. Deep blue. Fine	
8-A	Giganticoerulea. Pale form	1.00
25	Giganticoerulea. Very pale. Streaked. Good	3.00
29	Giganticoerulea. Medium	1.00
31	Giganticoerulea. Heliotrope. F rigidly hor. Distinct	5.00
35	Giganticoerulea. Dark	1.00
35-A	Giganticoerulea. Medium. No laterals	1.00
54	Giganticoerulea. Pale china blue	3.00
56-A	Giganticoerulea. Large. Dark. Fine	
57	Giganticoerulea. Nice one	2.00
57-A	Giganticoerulea. Large and dark	2.00
57-B	Giganticoerulea. Near type	2.00
57-B	Giganticoerulea. Very Blue. One of best	4.00
71	Giganticoerulea. Whitish. Good	4.00
67-A	Giganticoerulea. White, flushed palest mauve	5.00
67	Giganticoerulea. ALBA. Large pure white. Beauty	5.00
7	Ianthina. Small deep blue purple	5.00
122	Iodantha. Large deep heliotrope blue	10.00
19	Lancipetala. Pale blue gray self	5.00
60-B	Ludoviciana. Red violet. Good type of	5.00
11	Moricolor. Crimson maroon self. Rarest and good	10.00
46	Oenantha. Wine purple bicolor	
67-X	Oolopha. Lilac. Good one	7.50
	Prismatica. Violet. Nice	.35
	Pseudacorus Alba. Ivory. Good	2.00
	Pseudacorus Bastardi. Pale primrose	1.00
	Pseudacorus Gigantea. Yellow. Tall, branched	
81	Regalis. Large lilac. Beauty	10.00
5	Rhodantha. Deep rose	
10	Rhodachrysea. Old rose lilac	
3	Rubicunda. Brilliant cerise	
	Shrevei. White with lilac border	
	Versicolor Kermesinea. Reddish	.75
	Versicolor Rosea. Rose	
76	Vinicolor. Vinaceous purple. Type form	
78	Vinicolor. Tall and good	
48	Violilutea. Dull violet	
20	Viridivinea. Red violet	

# **Peonies**

Must be disposed of this year. All are two-year clumps, well grown and healthy. They may be cut into some four or more divisions but we will ship entire clumps only; the clumps may be planted as such. Ask for special quotations on quantities.

Doubles			
Asa Gray\$ .50	Marie Crousse		
Cherry Hill	Marie Jacquin		
Enchantresse	Martha Bullock 1.00		
Exquisite	Mary Brand 1.00		
Georgiana Shaylor	Mary W. Shaylor 1.50		
Germaine Bigot	Mrs. E. B. Browning 1.00		
James Kelway	Mrs. E. G. Harding 1.00		
Jeannot 4.00	Mons. Dupont		
Jubilee	M. M. Cahusac		
Kelways Glorious 3.00	Primevere 1.00		
Lady A. Duff	Raoul Dessert		
La France	Richard Carvel		
Laura Dessert 3.00	Rosa Bonheur 1.00		
Le Cygne 2.00	S. de Louis Bigot 1.00		
Loveliness	Tourangelle		
Mme. E. Lemoine	Venus		
Mme. J. Dessert 1.00	Walter Faxon 1.00		
Longfellow 1.00			
Sing	gles		
Avant Garde\$1.00	Mafeking		
K's Wild Rose	Mai Fleurie 1.00		
Le Jour	Nellie		
L'Etincellante	Pride of Langport 1.50		
Lord Kitchener			
Japanese			
Amano Sode\$2.00	Tokio		
Fuyajo	Tomate Boku		
Isani Guidui	Yeso		
K's Magnificence			

The above are two-year plants at a fraction of the price of divisions. The stocks are not great enough to last long nor to affect the general market prices. Great bargains while they last.

# Join the Societies

You will get more pleasure from your flowers if you are a member of the Societies. Annual dues for each \$3.00. For the American Iris Society write: Mr. J. B. Wallace, Secretary, 129 Church St., New Haven, Conn. For the American Peony Society write: Mr. W. F. Christman, Secretary, Northbrook, Ill. For The Iris Society of England: Make check for \$2.85 payable to American Iris Society and mail it to Science Press Printing Co., Lime and Green Sts., Lancaster, Pa. Mark it plainly "For Dues for the Iris Society (OF ENGLAND)".

